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Marginal Column

By the Spanish Correspondent of OFNS

LAST week's strikes and riots in Barcelona — up to now the biggest demonstration against Franco's regime — were crushed by the Spanish Government. But unless there is a drastic change in the administration of the country, sooner or later strikes and riots will recur in Barcelona and elsewhere in Spain. Though these demonstrations came as a surprise to the foreign public, the Spaniards themselves, and all students of Spanish affairs, have been aware of the coming storm for a long time.

FOR the last two years Spain has been living on the verge of an economic collapse. The reasons are manifold: lack of fertilizers for the agricultural districts and of raw materials for the mills and factories of Catalonia, as well as the appalling state of disrepair of roads and railways since the ravages of the Civil War. These and other causes have been aggravated by several consecutive years of drought, which almost paralysed agriculture as well as the agonized industry of the country and, above all by the cumulative effects of the most corrupt administration Spain has witnessed in modern times. The inevitable result has been soaring prices and static wages; concentration of wealth in the hands of the "estraperlistas" (black marketeers), and starvation among the masses.

AGRICULTURAL labourers work for the big land owners of the South at the rate of between five and seven pesetas a day and only for 100 days in the year; the average wage of an urban worker is 24 pesetas (about 5/-) a day when a kilo of bread costs as much as 18 pesetas in Barcelona and 13 in Madrid, and a litre of olive oil is 34 pesetas in Madrid and 40 in Bilbao. White collar workers combine three or four jobs in an effort to make ends meet, but a few people in the big towns enjoy the most luxurious life in Europe today. The budget is another illustration of conditions. Some 50 per cent is for the armed services — a higher percentage than in any other European country—yet the army's principal task is to act as an internal security force.

ODDLY enough, the resumption of normal diplomatic relations with Spain, and the American concession of a $62½m. loan to Franco have spurred the opposition to his regime. Articles in clandestine Socialist and Republican papers have pointed out that since no help can be expected from the Western Democracies, the Spaniards themselves must take action against Franco. A current joke in Madrid is that if America has a Chiang Kai-Shek in China, now she will have a "Franco-y-cheque" in Europe. To Franco himself the arrival of Ambassadors may be no less embarrassing. Large-scale repressions will not be so easy now, and without them it will not be long before events in Barcelona find an echo in other parts of Spain. Thus Spain is likely to remain a problem for the West. If by sheer force of arms Franco continues in power with his rotten administration, Spain will remain a strategic liability to the West as well as a moral one. On the other hand, his remaining in power is rendering a peaceful evolution more difficult every day.

London, March 21.

Korea Keeps Big 4 Talks Going

By Jesse Zel Lurie, POST Correspondent

UNITED NATIONS H.Q., Tuesday. — Observers of Mr. Malik's affable conversations here with the chief delegates of the various countries during the past week believe they have an explanation for the unusual length of the Paris conference which is now in its third week.

Previous four-power deputy foreign ministers' parleys either settled their differences or agreed to disagree in a week or ten days. This time no one seems inclined to break up the meeting though the stalemate continues.

It is said here that an answer to the riddle lies in Korea. Rumours began circulating after the Israel delegation party last Wednesday, when Mr. Malik was seen in earnest conversation with the Swedish member of the Good Offices Committee, Mr. Eban and others. It was said that Mr. Malik was assessing the relationship of peace in Korea to the success of the Paris conference.

Rumours seem to have this basis in fact: the State Department has finally come round to the Pentagon's view that Korea's war serves no military purpose, and it has fulfilled its function as a stand against aggression. But all U.N. approaches to Peking have been rebuffed because the U.N. called China an aggressor.

It is surmised, therefore, that the Western Powers have asked Russia for direct intervention with Peking to end the Korean war at the 38th Parallel and have made peace in Korea a quid pro quo for an agreement to hold a Foreign Ministers meeting on European problems in which the Soviets profess to be vitally interested. This theory fits the action of the three Western deputies in Paris who, according to the "New York Times," are stalling.

That might be connected with the proposal heard in the corridors here today that an armistice along the 38th Parallel should be negotiated by the opposing field commanders.

MacA. Bans Mention Of 38th Parallel

TOKYO, Tuesday.—Any mention of the 38th Parallel, or of "synonyms in any form" in news stories of the Korean War was banned here today by General MacArthur. Pressmen said they had even been obliged to delete any reference to the boundary in their news stories describing the prohibition.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman indicated that no decision has so far been reached on whether a major crossing of the Parallel should be made.

He said discussions were still proceeding in Washington among the various U.N. countries participating in the Korean war. It is believed the British still hold the view that the Parallel should not be crossed in force until the chance of a political settlement has been ruled out.

Military and political observers in Tokyo, however, have been able to find no hint that Peking or Pyongyang would welcome such peace moves. Communist broadcasts have made somewhat fewer references than usual to their determination to "drive the imperialist traders into the sea," but have nevertheless continued to threaten the "annihilation of enemy troops."

(Reuter, AP)

New Atom Tests In Pacific

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter).—The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission said today that a major project "is being carried out" at the testing grounds at Eniwetok atoll in the Pacific.

"In order to ensure the safety of vessels and aircraft operating in the central Pacific, only units of the testing task force are permitted within the danger area around Eniwetok atoll," the statement added.

Asked directly if new atom bomb tests are being conducted, Commission officials said they could add nothing to the statement.

U.N. Meet Group Of New Chinese Army

TOKYO, Tuesday (Reuter).—Elements of a new Chinese army are meeting the U.N. advance on the western front in Korea. Troops of the 29th Chinese army corps have been captured north of Seoul.

A staff officer in the area north of Seoul said that the appearance of the new army group did not mean that huge new forces had been thrown in but that it was screening the building of new defences further north.

Earlier today the 8th Army disclosed that U.N. forces had seized the vital Chungpyong reservoir and power plant and were less than 16 kms. from Chunchon. The plant, found in good condition, is one of the main sources of supply for Seoul.

South Korean troops who surrounded and smashed a Chinese battalion in a surprise attack in a valley 16 kms. north of Chunchon yesterday, continued their advance today.

U.N. aircraft reported 3,500 people moving north in the vicinity of Chunchon who "could have been soldiers disguised as civilians."

Peking announced today that Lt.-General Matthew B. Ridgway, commanding general of the 8th Army, has made available his personal plane for transport of relief materials to the civilian population of liberated Seoul.

Monty Named Deputy To Eisenhower

PARIS, Tuesday. — General Eisenhower today announced the appointment of Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery as Deputy Supreme Allied Commander. The communique named Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Saunders of the Royal Air Force as Air Deputy.

A senior naval officer might be designated in the near future to carry out the duties of Naval Deputy — presumably parallel with those of Air Deputy — "if the need becomes apparent."

Montgomery "will be the principal assistant to the Commander in carrying out the missions entrusted to him by the North Atlantic Treaty countries," the communique said. "His principal normal duty will be to further the organization, equipping, training and readying of national forces allocated to the Supreme Commander."

Commander in Chief of Allied Army Forces in Central Europe will be General A. Juin, 63, at present French General Resident in Morocco.

Other appointments announced today were:

Chief of Staff — Lt. General Alfred M. Gruenther, 52, U.S.

Naval Flag Officer, Central Europe—Admiral Jaujard, 56, France.

Commander in Chief, Northern Europe — Admiral Brine, 59. He will also act as Commander of Allied Naval Forces in that region.

Air Force Commander, Central Sector — Lt. General Lauris Norstadt, 54, U.S.

Air Force Commander, Northern Sector — Major Gen. Robert M. Taylor, 49, U.S.

Land Forces Commander, Norway — Lt. General Wilhelm Von Tangen-Hansteen, 48, Norway.

Land Forces Commander, Denmark — Lieut. Gen. Ebbe Goertz, 52, Denmark.

Deputy Chief of Staff, Administration — Lt. Gen. Maurice Carpentier, 56, France.

Deputy Chief of Staff — Air Marshal E.C. Hodderstein, 52, U.K.

Deputy Chief of Staff, National Affairs — Col. Anthony Drexel Biddle, Jr., 54, U.S.

Assistant Chief of Staff, Personnel and Administration — Rear Admiral Pierre Cocteau, 52, Italy.

Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence — Major Gen. Sir Terence Airey, U.K.

Assistant Chief of Staff, Organization and Training — Maj. Gen. P.W. Festin, 49, U.K.

Assistant Chief of Staff, Policy and Operations — Maj. Gen. Pierre Louis Bodet, 49, France.

Assistant Chief of Staff, Logistics — Maj. Gen. Edmond H. Leavey, 57, U.S.

Public Information Office — Brigadier General Charles T. Lanham, 49, U.S.

(Reuter, AP)

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Martial Law in Teheran, Senate Passes Oil Bill

TEHERAN, Tuesday — With the city under martial law since this morning, the Senate today unanimously approved the Majlis decision to nationalise Persia's oil industry. The Bill will now go to Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlevi for signature, and observers here do not believe the Shah will veto it in the present political situation.

At the same time, Hussein Ala presented his new cabinet to the Shah today.

Retaining the portfolio for Foreign Affairs himself, he named the following ministers:

Minister without portfolio: Ali Dashti, Persian Ambassador to Egypt; War: General Naqdi; Finance: Mohammad Ali Varasteh; Justice: Habibula Amuzegar; Posts and Telegraphs: Ahmade Zangene.

The Ministries of Health, Labour, Interior, Roads, Economy, were left vacant but would be run by newly appointed undersecretaries of state.

Two-Month Period

The Shah proclaimed martial law for a period of two months following yesterday's attempted assassination of Dr. Zanganeh, a former member of the Cabinet of General Razmara, who was assassinated on March 7. General Abdul Hussein Hajazi was named Military Governor, and a curfew was ordered from midnight to 5 a.m.

The proclamation, read on the State Radio, said, "Gangster elements have been trying to upset the security of Teheran." The new Military Governor-General then appealed to all groups to maintain peace.

Tanks rolled into the city at noonday. By early afternoon troops arriving by truckloads took up positions at strategic posts. Rumours circulated in the capital tonight that prominent politicians had been stabbed in Tabriz, capital of the strongly separatist province bordering the Soviet Union.

Murder Stories

One report alleged the victims included the Governor-General, Dr. Manushar Eghbal. Newspapers here carried sensational stories of murder and vengeance with pictures of the alleged victims.

The condition of Dr. Zanganeh, Dean of Teheran University's Law Faculty and former Minister of Education, was today reported to have improved.

The Nationalization Bill, now passed by both houses, provides a two-month period for studying methods of taking over the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's installations. It also authorizes the Government to seek the advice of foreign technicians during the take-over period.

(UP, Reuter)

KUDSI TRIES AGAIN TO FORM CABINET

DAMASCUS, Tuesday (Reuter). — Syrian President Hashem el Atassi today asked Nazim Bey el Kudsi to form a new Cabinet. Kudsi, who was Premier in the Government which resigned on March 9, will be making his second attempt.

The President turned to him after last night's attempt by Khalid Azim to form a cabinet had failed.

Three-Vote Margin On Egypt £ Pact

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — By only three votes, 294-291, the government obtained support on its new monetary agreement with Egypt in the House of Commons tonight.

Led by Mr. Anthony Eden, the Conservatives criticised the agreement and some Labour members took the same view but indicated they would not vote.

Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, Chancellor of the Exchequer, began by saying Britain had never formally put forward counter claims. It never had been the government's policy to cancel by her own action an obligation incurred as this debt was.

Mr. Eden, whose speech was punctuated by Opposition cheers, referred to the Egyptian ban on Britain's tankers taking oil to the British-owned refineries at Haifa through the Suez Canal. Britain had to bring the oil all the way round Africa or from across the Caribbean at "tremendous cost" he said. This was "absolutely fantastic" especially when there was a world shortage of tankers.

When Richard Crossman, leader of the "Keep Left" group of the Labour Party, sought assurances that the money would not be used by the Egyptians to buy arms, Mr. Churchill intervened to say that a destroyer was being finished here and would be sent to Egypt, through it was needed for Britain's anti-submarine defence.

Salah Silent on Treaty

CAIRO, Tuesday, (Reuter). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Salah e-Din Bey last night refused opposition demands in the Senate to give information on the current Anglo-Egyptian treaty revision talks.

"The question is being dealt with by the Government and and all I can state at present is that the Government is insisting on British evacuation of the Canal zone and unity of the Nile valley under the Egyptian crown," the Minister said.

Salah e-Din today discussed the question of Arab refugees in the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza strip with General Howard Kennedy, head of UNRWA, who arrived in Cairo this afternoon, MEABS reports.

Shah's 'Firm Grip' Move Pleases U.K.

LONDON, Tuesday — The imposition of martial law in Teheran is welcomed in diplomatic quarters in London as evidence of an intention by the Shah to keep a firm grip on an unstable situation.

Today's news of Senate approval of last week's decision of the Majlis to nationalize the oil industry, is not considered to have made any significant change in the situation. Senate approval had been taken for granted.

Members of the British government and representatives of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co. realize there will be a delay of nearly three months before any action is likely to be taken in Iran to give effect to the nationalization decision.

The British cabinet is unlikely to review the question until after the Easter holiday.

British opinion is still unconvinced that the last chance of an agreement has vanished, though official policy has not yet crystallized and will to some extent depend on what moves are made to put the recent Majlis and Senate decisions into effect.

In Washington, it was reported today that the British government has warned Iran to consider the distinction between "nationalization" and "appropriation." The Majlis action fell into the latter category, it was claimed.

The British were said to have offered Iran a half share in the Anglo-Iranian oil profits.

(U.P., Reuter)

WORLD BANK LOAN FOR PAKISTAN

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, (Reuter). — The World Bank today announced its willingness to make Pakistan a loan for the development of agriculture, electric power, railways, communications and new industries. It said foreign exchange of about $60m. would be required for these projects.

West Rejects New Russian Version

PARIS, Tuesday (AP).—Russia today reworded her proposal on reduction of armaments at the Big Four Deputies' meeting, but the West said it was still not acceptable. The new version still talked about "reduction of the armed forces" of the four big powers.

The Western Powers want only to talk about the world-wide general level of armaments, saying that Russia has an army which can be reduced, while the Western Powers are only beginning to build theirs.

This new text combines the substance of the earlier Soviet draft with some points of the Western draft.

The meeting lasted over four hours and the deputies arranged to meet again tomorrow afternoon.

Huleh Draining Will Start Again

Israel rejected the Syrian demand to stop drainage work in the Huleh marshes within the demilitarized zone at the meeting of the Mixed Armistice Commission at the Bnot Yaacov customs house on Monday. It was agreed that the chairman, Colonel Georges Bossavy, would take over the handling of the problem from the M.A.C., though each side maintained its viewpoint, since Article 5 of the armistice agreement specifies that the chairman is responsible for implementing the return to normal life within the demilitarized zones.

In accordance with the armistice agreement, the chairman has been notified that work in the central demilitarized zone will start on or about Saturday. Israel has agreed to the chairman's proposal that if the Arab owners whose land is affected do not come to an agreement concerning compensation with the Palestine Land Development Company, which is doing the work, he will estimate the compensation to be paid.

The Israel delegation consisted of Saan-Aloof Shaul Ramati and Rav Seren Shoham. Syria was represented by Major Jabi and Major El Kudsi. Also present at the meeting were Colonel Albert Major, the Military Secretary to the U.N. Chief of Staff, and Mr. G. Balsamo, the U.N. Chief of Staff's political adviser.

French Government May Draft Striking Utility Workers

PARIS, Tuesday, (UP).—The government decided today to draft striking bus, railroad, electricity and gas workers if necessary to break the strike movement which threatens Paris with total paralysis, and is on the verge of spreading throughout France.

The decision, taken at a cabinet meeting which lasted all morning — the second emergency session in 12 hours — authorized the Minister of Transport and of Commerce and Industry to take "all necessary measures" to get trains and services functioning.

Gas and power workers left their jobs last night to join subway and bus workers in a demand for higher wages. An estimated 50,000 workers are already on strike.

Metal workers at Nantes also struck today. The Civil Servants Federation tonight demanded a general salary increase and an immediate advance of 4,000 francs this month.

The Communist "Ce Soir" said that men at the Gare de l'Est, serving north - eastern suburbs, Germany, Austria and Switzerland, had voted to strike.

Non-Communist railway unions tonight pointed out that they had not called any strike. The Communist union, which has also not called a strike, said nothing.

The government tonight instructed a body called the Upper Commission of Collective Conventions to meet on Thursday and consider raising the minimum Paris hourly wage for unskilled workers, the basis from which all wage negotiations start. The Commission is purely consultative.

Eban To Ask U.S. Grant Today

POST Correspondent

NEW YORK, Tuesday.—The Israel Ambassador, Mr. A. Eban, is scheduled to see the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, tomorrow (Wednesday) to present a note requesting a grant-in-aid of $150m. for Israel. On Thursday a bill providing for the grant will be introduced jointly in the Senate by Mr. Robert Taft (Republican) and Mr. Paul Douglas (Democrat).

"The Times" had last week reported that the grant would be requested to finance schemes for the absorption of new immigrants, especially by opening up undeveloped areas. Zionist leaders and sypathisers in America had been diligently preparing the way for the formal request, which was now imminent, and the chances of a favourable response from the United States Administration are thought to be good.

"This appeal to the United States Government is no surprise. Apart from the need to bring in 1,000 Iraqi Jews a day — persons who have lost their old citizenship and proper-petty rights and cannot be left to the normal routine of emigration—economic deterioration in Israel during the past year has been such that it can only be remedied at this stage by direct foreign aid."

Davis, Helm Receive Notes on Iraq Action

KARIYA, Tuesday. — Aides memoire outlining the Israel Government's attitude to the freezing of Jewish assets in Iraq were today handed by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, to the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Maxwell B. Davis, and the British Minister, Sir Knox Helm. The two diplomats were received separately at Hakirya this afternoon.

Mr. Sharett outlined Israel's attitude on this subject in the Knesset yesterday.

Interim Budget Extended To Bridge Election Period

By Moshe Brilliant
Post Parliamentary Correspondent

By agreement between the Finance Minister and the parliamentary Finance Committee yesterday, the budget estimates now before the Knesset were increased from IL.24,800,000 for four months to IL.37,200,000 for six months. The decision was taken in the light of information from the Legislation Committee that the Knesset elections would be held some time in the latter part of July.

The new estimates would tide the nation over until October 1 and would allow sufficient time for the formation of a new government after elections and the drafting of a new budget. The new proposals are based on the same allocations as that submitted by Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan last week. The basis is now half the budget of the ordinary outgoing year plus a reserve of 17 per cent representing the increase in population.

The Committee also began preliminary discussions on the actual estimates. When the plenary meeting of the Knesset adjourned last night with two and a half hours of the general debate still to go, the Committee chairman, Mr. D.Z. Pinkas, asked the House for a formal dispensation for the Committee to prepare the estimates for the second and third readings even before the completion of the first reading.

The current estimates run out on March 31 and there are only three Knesset days left before that date, during which it is planned to complete the general debate, hear the Finance Minister's reply and have the estimates back from the Committee for voting on the second and third readings. It was not proposed to resume the debate today.

Communist Objection

According to the normal procedure, the estimates would be sent to Committee only after the completion of the first reading, but this would not allow time for the budget to be passed before the end of the outgoing fiscal year. The Acting Speaker, Dr. N. Nir, ruled that Mr. Pinkas' proposal could not be put up for a vote, and that the motion would pass only if there was no opposition. Mr. Tewfik Toubi (Communist) said he objected. Dr. Nir did not invite Mr. Toubi to explain his objection, but ruled that it was sufficient to reject Mr. Pinkas' request.

This caused angry outbursts from the Mapai benches whose members accused Mr. Toubi of "sabotage." Mr. Pinkas stated that the Finance Committee had unanimously decided to request the dispensation and that the House Committee had approved the request. Mr. Izhar Harari, chairman of the House Committee, confirmed this, and argued further that the practices applying to normal legislation did not apply to the budget proposals. He cited precedents. Dr. Nir said he was unable to accept Mr. Harari's position and referred the problem to the House Committee, adjourning the meeting.

In the plenary debate yesterday many proposals for points of view were put forward. F. M. Yisrael Yeshu (Mapai) proposed that Israel be ready to pay compensation and quoted the case of Germany.

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Children Start Purim Early

Notwithstanding the tradition that Purim comes to Jerusalem — a walled city — a day later than to the rest of the country, the capital's children streamed through the streets yesterday in gay costumes that gave the sombre city sparkle and colour.

Officially, the holiday starts this evening, but yesterday, as in the other parts of the country, the schools closed and staged festive parties and plays.

Old-timers in Jerusalem vowed that the quality of the costumes was as good as always, although some mothers and teachers complained that they had been handicapped by the shortage of vari-coloured crepe and silver paper.

Tel Aviv Gay

There certainly was no lack of spirit. Groups of children locked arms and went dancing down the street, singing Purim songs with each group trying to drown out the other. The effect was noisy, but cheerful.

A series of Purim balls by various organizations is scheduled for the rest of the week.

In Tel Aviv, too, the streets reflected a merry [illegible] Purim spirit two days before the traditional holiday date.

There were countless Queen Esther's, of course, in gay frocks and crowns, but just as many fierce-looking cowboys. As a sign of clothes rationing, many children had only make-up and a paper hat, but all looked cheerful.

Schools Closed

Most schools have closed down for the week and will re-open on Sunday. Various children's shows are being presented in the afternoons. The festival begins tonight.

Because of the holiday which begins this evening seats were impossible to obtain on the inter-urban taxi services yesterday. Hundreds of Tel Avivians seem to be going to Jerusalem, while Jerusalemites are spending the holiday in the coastal plain. Flowers were again sold at the usual exorbitant "holiday prices," and even the most modest bunch of flower now in season could not be obtained for less than 75 prutot, while wild flowers fetched 40 prutot each.

The reading of the Megilla in the Great Synagogue this evening will be relayed by Kol Yisrael.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Talmon Radio announced last night that the Shah will broadcast to the nation about the latest Persian oil developments. It declined to say what he would say, but pointed out that the Shah has always been a great friend of Israel. Many Persian Jews, especially the wealthy, fled from the country after the Mossadeq coup. Many Persian Jews are now living in Israel.

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16 Rehov Dov Hos, Tel.3788
In Jerusalem:
BET ZEIROT MIZRAHI,
20 Rehov Rashi, Tel. 3646

Social & Personal

Sheikh Taher el Tabari, the Kadi of Nazareth, visited Chief Rabbi H.Y. Uziel, accompanied by Mr. Yaacov Yehoshua of the Moslem Department in the Ministry of Religious Affairs.

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Crown-Princess Martha of Norway was inscribed in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund by the International Women's Organization of Norway and the WIZO chapter of Oslo and Trondheim on the occasion of her 50th birthday and in recognition of her activities for the benefit of the Jewish community in Norway and of her friendly attitude to Israel.

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Rabbi Dr. Isaac Lewin, Chairman of the World Executive of Agudat Israel in America, has arrived in Israel to take part in the session of the Agudat Israel Executive on Sunday.

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Dr. M. Franken, Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal in Amsterdam, and Mrs. Franken, arrived in Israel by KLM on Monday and are staying at the Kaete Dan Hotel.

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Mrs. Barbara-Ann Hull and her son William, of Toronto, Canada, arrived on Monday to stay with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Wm. L. Hull of Jerusalem.

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Mrs. Sonja Harnik has left by LaI for the U.S. on behalf of the United Palestine Appeal.

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A farewell reception was held for Mr. Y. Rezer, former head of the Press Information Office, in Tel Aviv, yesterday on the occasion of his leaving the post.

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The Hebrew University has received a bequest of over IL.800 from the estate of the late Mr. George J. Lipman of Durban, South Africa.

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Mr. R. Rubin will be the speaker at tomorrow's Luncheon Meeting of the Rotary Club of Tel Aviv-Jaffa.

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The annual Fancy Dress Ball of the Zevulun Seafaring Society will take place tomorrow evening, March 22, at the Casino Bal Galim, Haifa.

OBITUARY
M. M. Rendel

The funeral took place at the Nahlat Yitzhak cemetery in Tel Aviv yesterday of Mr. M.M. Rendel, art and dramatic critic of the paper "Herut," who died in Tel Aviv on Monday.

MEMORIAL MEETING

The first anniversary of the death of Dr. Ya'acov Thon, will be commemorated at five o'clock on Monday afternoon, at the Keren Hayesod Building in Jerusalem.

Martyrs' Memorial Set for Nissan

A memorial day for victims of the Nazi extermination camps and the ghetto uprisings will be fixed some time during the Hebrew calendar month of Nissan, it was decided yesterday by the parliamentary House Committee.

A sub-committee was formed to recommend an exact date.

MYERSON INVITED TO ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES, Tuesday, (INA).—Israel Minister of Labour, Mrs. Golda Myerson, will be invited to launch Argentine's "United Campaign for Israel," to be opened on April 15.

COIN COLLECTORS WILL MEET

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The first convention of the Israel Numismatic Society will be held in Haifa on March 30 and 31 and will be devoted to the study of Hebrew coins after the Kings, i.e. the Maccabean and Herodian dynasty periods, Mr. A. Roche, Director of the Haifa Municipal Museum, said.

The lecturers will include Dr. Leo Mindenberg of Zurich University, Prof. A. Reifenberg of the Hebrew University, A. Kindler, A. Mischanski and E. Kadmon of Tel Aviv and A. Roche of Haifa.

The Haifa Municipal Museum, which possesses a valuable collection of Hebrew coins, has put its facilities at the disposal of the convention.

100,000 Gallons From Negev Pump

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday. — Over 100,000 gallons of water were pumped to Beersheba in a one-hour test of a new pump in the Negev last night. It is expected that regular pumping for the irrigation of the western Negev will begin within the next fortnight.

The Hebrew National
OPERA
HAIFA: Armon
Thursday, March 22, 8 p.m.
JERUSALEM: Edison
Wednes. March 28, 8.45 p.m.
Barber of Seville
with the guest singer
S. JANKOVIC
of the Opera in Belgrade.
Conductor: O. SINGER
TEL AVIV: Habimah
Tuesday, March 27, 8 p.m.
Rigoletto
with S. JANKOVIC in the role of "RIGOLETTO."
Conductor: M. GOLINKIN

Lebanese Face Crucial Test in April Elections

By Gideon Weigert

THE Lebanese will face one of the most crucial tests in their history when they go to the polls on April 15, to elect their 77 new parliamentary representatives.

Less than a year after the last elections in May 1947, the internal situation in the Lebanon began to deteriorate rapidly, as a result of the intensification of the anti-Jewish boycott. Within a few days Jewish tourism, always an important factor in the Lebanese economy, stopped. Exports to Palestine, consisting chiefly of agricultural goods, shoes and textiles, ceased soon afterwards. (Palestine had taken 39 per cent of the Lebanon's total exports in 1947).

Triple Deadlock

Although Riad e-Solh's Cabinet has remained in office for four years, (an exceptionally long period for any Arab cabinet), the country has undergone great difficulties and is now faced by an economic, financial and political deadlock. As early as May 1947, the small but well-organized Lebanese opposition parties merged into a united bloc under the capable leadership of Camille Bey Chamoun. They charged the Government with the falsification of election returns, blackmail of voters, the exercise of physical pressure on large sections of the population, and with general corruption. As a result of these accusations, Haj Hussein el Aweini, head of the present three-man caretaker cabinet, has declined to remain in office after the elections.

The Lebanon's participation in the Palestine War, and the heavy losses suffered in manpower, funds and prestige, added to her difficulties. Even today, important political leaders in Beirut simply cannot understand how Israel forces overran 12 Lebanese border villages. Popular dissatisfaction with the outcome of the war together with the increasing rate of unemployment and the rising cost of living, has reinforced the demands of the Opposition forces for the immediate dissolution of parliament and new countrywide elections. At this stage demands for the Lebanon's withdrawal from the Arab League were first voiced in the press.

Swoop on Terrorists

The (Syrian) National Party of the Lebanon, advocating the incorporation of the Lebanon into Syria and a Greater Syria scheme, began its terrorist outrages and attempts on the lives of the Premier and President, until it was finally liquidated and its leader, Anton Sa'adah, shot for intrigue. Measures were taken against the Communist parties of Syria and the Lebanon, which are centred in Beirut. Mustapha el Arisa, the M.E. representative at the I.T.U. Congress, was detained with a large number of other trade unionists, and the comparatively influential Communist press was banned. The Communists, however, continued their activities underground, with wide support among the teachers and students of the American University in Beirut.

At this juncture, the cold war broke out between the two sister states, and led to the breaking off of the century-old economic union between the Lebanon and Syria; — the first of its kind in the Orient. The Lebanon's entire economic structure was undermined. Strikes broke out, and merchants, farmers and industrial workers threatened civil resistance unless relations with Syria were immediately resumed.

Opposition Parties

The main groups inside the five-party Opposition Bloc are the National Liberation Bloc, the "A-Nida el Qawmi" party, and the so-called Lebanese Socialist party. But, as in other Arab countries, the election results will depend more on the family, economic and regional influence of the individual leaders than on party programmes. The outstanding Opposition candidates, in addition to M. Chamoun, are Kamal Janbalat, the Druze leader who is in open sympathy with the left wing elements; Rimon Eddeh, son of the late Emile Eddeh; Sami Solh, brother of the outgoing Premier; Philippe Takla, former Foreign Minister; Emir Majid Arslan, former Defence Minister; and the Emir Khaled Shihab, present Minister to Amman, who is thought to be the most likely future Premier.

Yet none of the parties has a majority. The many religious sects are divided among themselves, and even the Maronites (the largest sect, comprising 29 per cent of the population) are split on election issues. Two main trends may be discerned at present: a marked anti-League attitude, as expressed by the pro-Hashemite M. Chamoun, who recently described the League as a hopelessly backward and reactionary body from which the Lebanon must withdraw; and a second trend advocating closer relations with the West, mainly with France and the U.S. The Lebanon was the only Arab country not to protest against the recent French action in Morocco.

One of the Lebanon's ablest economists, Kamel el Mukkadem, wrote recently in the Beirut economic weekly "A-Raza'el e-Tijariah" that it was difficult to preserve the Lebanon from bankruptcy, since new imports were six times as large as exports. The alternatives were immediate peace with Israel, which could replace Syria as a customer for Lebanese goods; complete stoppage of imports and the institution of severe austerity (which would be unacceptable to the majority of luxury-loving Lebanese); peace with Syria (which the latter is apparently not prepared to make); or complete loss of sovereignty.

Let Turkey, Greece In Pact—N.Y. Times

NEW YORK Tuesday (UP). — The "New York Times" said in an editorial this week that Greece and Turkey should be admitted to the North Atlantic Pact.

It said "the Greeks and Turks have made it plain they are in the camp of free men and that they will stand up and be counted. They should be welcomed at this time as they have been in the past."

The "Times" said the Truman Doctrine enabled Greece to win the fight against Communism, and "in the case of Turkey, it is possible to make their armed forces strong enough to discourage Communist attempts at exploratory trouble-making."

Positions of Strength

It said if the two were admitted, the Mediterranean would enter into the defence picture, and added, "the Atlantic cannot be defended or used without great sea lanes as the experience of the last war clearly showed. The positions of strength in the eastern Mediterranean have a vital bearing on the operations on the continent of Europe. Greece and Turkey are now offering the North Atlantic nations these positions of strength.

"The strategic position is heightened by the unsettled condition of the whole Middle East. Iran's oil resources and policy of government in regard to them have become a major factor in the calculations of both the Kremlin and the free world. It is obvious that positions of strength will have an influence on the Iranian government and the way in which the strength of the free world is organized may be a decisive factor. Turkey can qualify for the classification in which the West can approach the entire Middle Eastern world."

'Saucepan' Radio Sold in Africa

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). —A "saucepan special" radio which may change the face of Africa was described in a U.N. report recently.

The radio, a cheap dry battery receiver, is built in a cabinet-like aluminium saucepan. Designed to stand up to tropical climates and clumsy handling, it costs only £6 5/-. The first 2,000 sets were sold in a few weeks in Northern Rhodesia, and ten or more people were listening to each.

The head of the colonial service of the British Broadcasting Corporation described the experiment in "Radio in Fundamental Education," published by the U.N. Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

He said it had shown the way to solve one of the world's chief problems — educating millions in underdeveloped areas.

Bishop Provides Home For Arab Aged

A 300-year-old building in Acre, formerly used as a meeting place for bishops, was made available by Bishop George Hakim, of the Greek Orthodox Church, for use as an old-age home for Arabs at a recent meeting with representatives of the Ministry of Social Welfare and the Minorities Department of the Ministry of the Interior.

Fifteen homeless persons have already been placed in the premises.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES
JERUSALEM: Allia, Zion Square, Mea Shearim, Bayit Vegan, Rehov Ramban.
TEL AVIV: Ritzin, 17 Allenby; Gad, 19 Allenby; Ben Gera, 13 Nahlat Binyamin; Ben Yehuda, 29 Ben Yehuda; Shapira, 20 Ha-Yarkon; Shapira, 20 Ha-Yarkon; Mizrahi, 29 Ben Yehuda.
HAIFA: Bezer, 3 Arlozorof; Bet Hadassah, 104 opp. Hadar Cinema.

Away Sides Dominate Histadrut Games

In the seven games played off in the Histadrut Cup soccer competition on Saturday, five away teams registered victories.

In the other two matches, only Petah Tikva Hapoel won at home, defeating Ramat Gan Hapoel by 3-2, while Ra'anana Hapoel shared the spoils with visiting Tel Aviv Bnei Yehuda in a one-all draw.

Tel Aviv Hapoel gained the best win of the day, travelling to Haifa to beat the local Hapoel side by 6-1, after leading 2-1 at half-time. Jerusalem Hapoel also did well to beat Rishon le Zion Hapoel, at Rishon, 2-1, after a scoreless first half. Herzlia Hapoel Nahum slammed Givat Haim Hapoel, at home, by four clear goals, scoring twice in each period.

Nathanya Hapoel led by 1-0 at the interval in their home game against Rehovot Hapoel, but the visitors scored twice without reply in the second 45 minutes play, to win 2-1. Tel Aviv Hakoah travelled to Kfar Saba to defeat the local Hapoel team by 3-0. Petah Tikva Hapoel scrapped through against their old rivals, Ramat Gan Hapoel by the odd goal in five.

MORE RESULTS

P.T. Hap.	3	R. G. Hap.	2
Kfar S. Hap.	0	T.A. Hakoah	3

(Other results were given Sunday)

Hapoel Basketball Games

A new basketball court was opened over the weekend at Givat Aliyah by the local Hapoel club and was used for semi-final games in the National Hapoel Basketball Championships.

The matches proved worthy of the occasion and a tense struggle was seen in the men's section with Tel Aviv Hapoel narrowly victorious over Jerusalem Hapoel by 46 points to 44.

Tel Aviv Hapoel Ofir won the youths' section affray defeating Jerusalem Hapoel Yoshua, 33-28. In another game in this section Tel Aviv Hapoel Hatzvi beat Jerusalem Hapoel Mo'ir by the large margin of 87 points to 12.

The final preliminaries for the Samaria District were played off at Hadera also on Saturday. As a result of the games Ein Shemer entered the semi-finals of the men's section while Pardess Hannah School and Givat Haim moved on to the semi-finals of the youth department.

RESULTS

Men: Ein Shemer beat Kfar Vitkin, 41-35 and Givat Haim, 32-16. Hadera beat Givat Haim, 45-28. Kfar Vitkin beat Hadera, 22-19. Youths: Pardess Hannah School beat Givat Haim, 32-21 and Kfar Vitkin, 28-22. Ein Shemer beat Kfar Vitkin, 30-23. Givat Haim beat Ein Shemer, 31-29.

Veteran Athlete Honoured

The soccer game between Jerusalem Betar and Jerusalem Maccabi played last Saturday (already reported) was refereed by the veteran sportsman and referee, Yehiel Tubiash.

In honour of his 60th birthday, the Referees League, Jerusalem branch, of which he is a leading member, presented Mr. Tubiash with a silver cup in appreciation of his efforts in connection with Jewish and Israel sport during his long and active career.

One of the earliest and leading members of the Hapoel movement, Mr. Tubiash has been closely connected with Jerusalem Hapoel since its inception, both as player and captain of the soccer side. Subsequently, after his playing career, he became a leading light in the referee world.

M.F. & S.I.

The British Royal Navy team won the championship for the first time since 1938 when they defeated the Army by 11 points to none at Twickenham to win the inter-Services Rugby Championship recently.

ON THE AIR

TEL AVIV: 49.5, 31.1 & 523 M.; JERUSALEM: 407 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30 p.m., 6, 8.40 and 10.55 p.m.; English: 2 and 10.15 p.m.; Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 and 7.15 p.m.; French: 4 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Service. 6.30 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (H). 7.45 Melodies. 7.55 Oriental Music: E. Aharon. 8.50 Close Down.

12.00 a.m. Morning Concert (R). 12.30 Piano Duets (R). 12.45 Southern Rhythm (R). 11.00 Concert Hall: Suite No. 1 (Rosenar); Cello Concerto (Boccherini); Symphonie Concertante (Haydn). 12.00 Jewish Bar Music (R). 12.30 Programme for the Working Woman. 12.55 Programme for Hospitals. Jazz (R). 1.00 Soldiers' Programme (R). 1.45 Housewives' Corner. 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. Programme for Youngsters. 4.50 Accordion Recital: Naftali & Avraham Alexandri. Purim Melodies. 4.55 Light Melodies. 5.00 Piano Recital: Yohanan Boehm. 5.30 Children's Hour. 6.15 Popular Education. 6.30 "English Reading (Relay from the Great Synagogue, Tel Aviv). 7.45 Bible Reading. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.45 Talk by Rabbi Nariya. 9.00 Purim Programme. 9.30 Folk Dances. 10.30 Folk Dances (H). 11.45 Close Down.

Immigrants' Hour (32.3 M.): 7.00 p.m. Yiddish; 7.30 p.m. Ladino; 7.40 p.m. French; 8.00 p.m. Rumanian; 8.15 p.m. Hungarian.

Kol Tzav Lagala (32.3 M.): 12.00 M. Newsreel. 12.15 The Story of Easter.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (31.55 and 31.32 M.): 6.30 News. 6.40 News Talk. 6.55 Youth Programme.

ARMY PROGRAMMES: (290 M. & 48.6 M.): 6.30 p.m. Programme Announcements. 6.35 Overture. 7.15 Today's Themes. 7.45 The Soldier as a Civilian. By D. Sivlin. 8.00 Soldiers' Programme. 8.30 News. 8.40 Interlude. 8.45 Yemenite's "Matsmichaim." 9.00 Symphonic Concert. 10.00 Close Down.

SPORTS DAY IN JERUSALEM

A large scale sports day was held in Jerusalem on Saturday. The events included a light athletics programme for boys and girls of the 14-16 and 16-18 age groups, a soccer game and a basketball tournament. Many spectators turned out to watch the show.

In the light athletics events the results were: BOYS (16-18): 100 m.: 1) Uri Brenner (H'fa), 11.3 secs.; 2) Yosef Bergman (H'fa), 12.4 3000 m.: 1) Y. Salmar (H'fa), 10-12.0; 2) Shimon Buchbad (H'fa), 10-32.0; 3) Yakov Shrem (J'lem), 10-45.0. High jump: 1) Mosha Greenstein (J'lem), 1.53 m.; 2) Yaacov Edward (J'lem), 1.30. Shot-put 45 k.): 1) Dan Katzneison (H'fa), 11.88 m.; 2) Meir Rubowitz (J'lem), 11.60. BOYS (14-16): 60 m.: 1) Yosef Rosenstein (T.A. Hatz), 7.5 secs.; 2) Elan Spector (H'fa), 8.0. 1000 m.: 1) Moshe Sudovitch (H'fa), 2-56.3 mins. High jump: 1) Mordechai Benbest (T.A. Hatz), 1.60 m.; 2) E. Spector (H'fa), 1.40 m.; 3) Uri Schechter (J'lem), 1.30 m. Shot-put (4 k.): 1) Yosef Rosenstein (T.A. Hatz), 14.13 m.; 2) Eliezer Farber (J'lem). GIRLS (14-16): 60 m.: 1) R. Meshulam (H'fa), 8.2 secs.; 2) Elana Shohet (H'fa), 8.6. High Jump: 1) A. Napastik (T.A. Hatz) 1.35 m.; 2) E. Shohet (H'fa), 1.30. Tali Ball Throw: 1) A. Napastik (T.A. Hatz), 36.20 m.

Two soccer games were played as part of the day's programme. Jerusalem Maccabi youth teams beat San Simon 2-1 after leading by that score at the changeover, while the local club's reserve team drew one-all with Mishmeret Zeira. There was no additional score in the second period.

Four youth teams from Jerusalem, Mt. Carmel, B.M.A., and Tel Aviv took part in the basketball affray with Tel Aviv, the victors defeating B.M.A. by 26-20 in the final. The score was 10-all at halftime. In the preliminaries B.M.A. beat Mt. Carmel 28-12, and Tel Aviv defeated Jerusalem 22-20.

M.F.

International Affrays—At Home and Away

The departure of Tel Aviv Maccabi for Turkey to play a number of return games there has been postponed for a week until April 12 at the request from Fenerbache, the host team. Three games are to be played, one against the Istanbul star side which toured Israel a short time ago.

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The famous Scottish League side, Dundee, is still scheduled to play in Israel. The opening game is to be staged at the Ramat Gan Stadium against T.A. Maccabi.

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The visit of the Yugoslav team, Bortz's to Israel to play a number of games against Hapoel sides has been postponed.

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The proposed trip of a Selected Hapoel soccer side to the U.S. in May has been postponed until later in the year, probably September, because of the launching of the Bond Drive.

Egypt's Conduct To Be Aired

The refusal of the team from Egypt to participate against Israel's players in the World Table Tennis Championships at Vienna recently aroused great feeling amongst the participating teams. The matter of this unsportsmanlike behaviour, after accepting an invitation to attend the championships, is to be raised at the next International Table Tennis Congress, it is learned.

REFEREES COMPLAIN

Following a complaint received from the Referees Association, the Israel Football Association have circularized affiliated clubs to provide suitable dressing accommodation for referees officiating at games, and to extend to these officials the courtesies which are their due.

Stock Markets

TEL AVIV

MARCH 20.	Buyers	Sellers
Government Loans		
3% due 31.12.53	100½	100¾
3% due 30.9.55	99½	100½
Pop. 49-59 (IL.10)	98½	100½
ditto (IL.50)	99½	100½
Bk. Leumi Le'Israel		
"A" Ord. Sh.	180	—
3% Nat. Loan 1949/52 (IL.10)	184	188
(large)	189	193½
A.P.E. Invest.		
4% Debs. 50/70	110½	—
4% Debs. 51/71	113½	—
4% Debs. 60/78	110½	—
4½% Pref. Sharon Gen. Mortg. Bk.	111½	112½
4% Debs. 65/85	93½	95½
4% Debs. 49/64	91½	92½
4% Debs. 56/66	91½	92½
4% Debs. 63/67	93½	95½
6% Pref. Sh.	116	117
Ord. Sh.	126	127
Bitzr Debs.		
4% 48/58	91½	92½
4½% 52/68 reg.	93	94
Bir Ltd.		
4% Debs. 37/51	89	—
4% Debs. 39/59	90	91
6% Pref. Sh.	73½	74½
4% Pref. Sh.	71½	72½
4½% Pref. Sh. reg.	72	73
Esso Debs.		
4% 42/62	87	88
4% 40/64	87½	88½
Isra Ltd.		
5% Debs. 40/51	96½	97½
P.L.D.C.		
6% Pref. Sh.	114	115
Ord. Sh.	130	—
Afr.-Pal. Inv.		
Ord. Sh.	145	—
Rassco		
4% Debs. 41/56	96½	97½
4% Debs. 47/61	93½	95½
4% Debs. 59/69	89½	91½
Mort.-Sav. Bk.		
5% Debs. 59/69	97½	98½
Potash		
6% Pref. Sh.	20/-	—
'A' Ord. Sh.	27/-	27/9
Pal. Electric		
Ord. Sh. (Ltd.)	54/-	54/9
Israel Issue	54/-	—
Jer. Electric		
Ord. Sh. (Ltd.)	22/-	—
Mekoroth Ltd.		
5% Pref. Sh.	78	79
Ata		
6% 'B' Pref. Sh.	132	—
4% "C" Pref. S.	132	—
Ord. Sh. 'B' reg.	176	—
Koor		
6½% Pref. Sh. reg.	80	81
S.A. Binyan		
Ord. Sh.	98	99
Pal. Ctr. Trade		
6% Pref. Sh.	86½	87½
Hamashbir Pia.		
4½% Debs. 47/61	96	97
"Atid" Navig.		
5% Debs. 50/70	76	77
Pal. Bearer Bd.		
Ser. 1	10,950	11,025
Ser. 2, 3	11,000	11,100

LONDON

CLOSING, March	16.	19.
2½ Consols	67½	67
2½% War Loan	91	90½
4½% Brazil "B"	81	81
5% Chile	—	—
4% Japan	46½	46½
Anglo-Iranian Oil	101/10½	101/10½
Ashanti Goldfields	31/7½	31/11½
Atkinson Oates	—	—
Brakpan	22/6	22/6
Burmah Oil	54/3	53/9
Carreras "A" Ord.	106/3	105/3
Courtaulds Ord.	42/3	41/9
De Beers Pref.	17½	17½
Dunlop Ord.	57/3	57/3
Eastern Transvaal	—	—
Gen. Electric Ord.	85/6	85/3
General Mining	62	62
Hudson Bay	99/3	99/6
I.C.I.	44/7½	44/6
Jerus. Electric	12/6	12/6
Marks&SpencerOrd	83/3	82/-
Mexican Eagles	34/4½	34/-
North Broken Hill	74/4½	75/7½
Pal. Electric	22/6	22/6
Rhokana Corp.	30½	30/-
Roan Antelope	19/4½	19/1½
Selection Trust	46/9	46/3½
Shell Transport	86/3	84/4½
Simmer & Jack	8/-	8/-
S.A. Townships	20/3	—
Sub Nigel	3 15/32	3 7/16
Sunset Beal	—	—
Vickers Ord.	43/4½	43/6
West. Rand Inv.		

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SWISS EXCHANGE RATES
ZURICH

	Buying	Selling
Sterling Pounds	10.80	10.87
American Dollars	4.31	4.315
Canadian Dollars	4.115	4.125
Israel Pounds	3.60	4.—
Belgian Francs (100)	8.16	8.18
French Fr. (10000)	111.—	112.—
Swedish Kronen	82.—	82.75
Dutch Guilders (100)	112.5	101.—
Turkish P'da (100)	118.—	120.—

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON TUESDAY

Hector, Dut., Gen. Cargo.
Komemiut, Is., Gen. Cargo.
Hadar, Is., Leading Citrus.
Gavriel, Is., Cotton-Seeds.
Arisa, Is., Passengers, Gen. Cargo.
N. Vaptsarov, Bul., Coal.
Frankis, Gr., Gen. Cargo.
Olsztyn, Pol., Gen. Cargo.
Uaice, Yug., Wood.
Lica Maersk, Dan., Barley.
Amarna, Br., Gen. Cargo.
Tel Aviv, Is., Gen. Cargo.
Christina, U.S., Wheat.
Brucia Tutio, It., Wood.
Montredisio, It., Gen. Cargo.
Galilah, Is., Being Repaired.
A.M. Norminen, Fin., Wood.
Les Isaacs, Fr., Wheat.
Pirtant, Tur., Compl. Unloading.
Dobroudja, Bul., Household Eff.
Torna, Tur., Wood.
Recco, It., Being Repaired.
Kisa, Den., Copra.

SHIPS EXPECTED

Date	Ship	Cargo
20	Nasim	Barley.
20	Tzaky	Boxes.
20	Hashlosha	Gen. Cargo. Wooden Logs.
21	Campollion	Passengers.
21	Else S.	Fertilizer. Gen. Cargo. Sand, Cement.
21	Tufonia	Pipes. Gen. Cargo. Cement.
22	Yotzat	Wheat.
22	Transil-vania	Immigrants. Inmn's Effects. Frozen Meat.
22	Fichanov	Wood, Flour.
22	Genevieve Lykos	Gen. Cargo. Iron, Gutzes.
23	Orinfjell	Gen. Cargo.
23 -	Exilona	Flour, Foodstuff. Gen. Cargo.

SHIPS IN TEL AVIV PORT

Aldo, It., Iron, Gen. Cargo.
Jack Star, Pan., Rye.
Richard Reichard, Br., Timber.

SHIPS IN JAFFA PORT

Levant, Pol., Timber, Iron, Fertiliser, Gen. Cargo.
Termentzidi, Nor., Loading Citrus.
Grenlea, Br., Pipes, Gen. Cargo.

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 2-5: Exhibit of the Month: Original ceramic plate by Picasso; Bezalel Museum.

TEL AVIV

9-1; 2-7: Ceramics by Jean David: Mikra Studio, 56 Rehov Allenby.
10-4: Works by Israel Artists; Tel Aviv Museum.
7.30 & 9.45 p.m.: "Special Appeal:" Li-La-Lo; Yasha Heifetz Hall.

HAIFA

9 a.m.-6.30 p.m.: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue Bldg., Rehov Gilad.
10-1; 4-6: Municipal Museum, 9 Hassan Shukri Street.

NATHANIA

8.30 p.m.: "Tartuffe." Chamber Theatre: Esther Hall.

Jerusalem Cinemas

At 2, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

EDEN: Gone with the Wind.
EDISON: The Red Pony.
ORION: Three Came Home.
SEMADAR: Fury at Furnace Creek, (6.30 & 8.30 p.m.).
STUDIO: The Kid from Brooklyn. (3, 6.30, 8.45 p.m.).
ZION: Mark of the Gorilla.

SUPREME COURT CASES TODAY

Before Justices Dunkelblum, Cheshin & Landau: (C.A.112/50): N. Staub (rep. by Block) v. Custodian of Absentee Property, Northern District; (C.A.12/51): Assessing Officer, Petah Tikva v. A. Samet (rep. by Nochimovsky); (H.C.106/50): Hesse Ltd. (rep. by Shpar) v. Food Controller & Others; (C.A.87/50): D. Libman (rep. by Gorodisky) v. B. Lifshitz (rep. by Beham).

STATE OF ISRAEL

Notices to the Public

TEL AVIV STAMP

The Postmaster-General announces that a 40-pruta Tel Aviv stamp will be issued on Thursday, March 22, on which date and after it will be available at all Post Office branches. This special stamp is being issued on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the founding of Tel Aviv which will also be marked by the unveiling of the statue in memory of the founders.

First-day covers bearing the stamp franked by the Tel Aviv Post Office and marked "Day of Issue," will be available at 60 pruta each on March 22, at all Post Offices in the country except for agencies and the Philatelic Service Bureau, 2 Rehov Pinsker, Tel Aviv.

The Philatelic Service Bureau will be open to the public on the above date from 8 a.m. till 6 p.m. Orders in writing may be sent to P.O.B. 37, Hakirya.

Mr. Harry Zinder was recently appointed to handle press relations for the Israel U.N. Delegation in New York.

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Sundays, Wednesdays, Fridays

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Today's POST BAG

THE WEATHER

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Canaan	62	12	20	30
Haifa	78	9	24	34
Tiberias	63	14	27	37
Hakirya	70	11	21	21
Lydda Airport	62	10	23	23
Jerusalem	62	12	20	30
Beersheba	—	9	23	32

FORECAST: Warm and cloudy; at times overcast. Chances of very light rain towards evening in the North.

*A) Humidity at 7 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maxim. temp. expected today.

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183 immigrants and 161 passengers arrived in the s.s. Artza yesterday. ..... 288 immigrants and 41 passengers are expected in the s.s. Negbah on Friday. ..... 162 passengers are expected in the Filipo Grimani today.

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A gang of infiltrators was driven across the lines into Jordan by fire from a police patrol after being detected near Ein Karem at 2.10 yesterday morning. A grenade was thrown at the police but no one was hurt.

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Ragab Kassem Kardush, 23, of Beirut, was remanded for 15 days by the Haifa Magistrate yesterday, for illegally entering the country.

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An association of landscape gardeners was founded in Nathanya at the beginning of the month by 20 members of the profession.

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A fire, which broke out when clothing was being washed in benzine, caused IL.300 worth of damage in the flat of Hannah Kaganovits, 58 Rehov Zefania, Jerusalem, yesterday.

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Fines of IL.250 each were imposed by the Anti-Profiteering Court here today against two Tel Aviv shopkeepers, D. Frankel and Shlomo Vladislavsky for unlawfully possessing 1,500 dollars.

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For allegedly obtaining IL.7,500 from 30 persons by pretending that he was putting up a housing project, Yehuda Shragai, Tel Aviv, was brought before the Magistrate's Court in Tel Aviv yesterday and remanded for seven days.

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The owner of the Semadar Cafe, Rahamim Levy, was fined IL.41 by the Tel Aviv Municipal Court for putting cancelled stamps on his admission tickets, for not cancelling stamps and for selling tickets without sufficient stamps.

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Two new Ulpan intensive Hebrew courses will open on Har Cana'an on May 1 and May 15 for 240 new immigrants, members of the free professions. The first four-month Ulpan courses at Nahariya, attended by 180 lawyers, teachers, clerks and accountants, was highly successful. Students should register at Jewish Agency offices in the main towns between March 22 and April 15.

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For failing to deliver 1080 eggs to the marketing authorities, Yitzhak Ben David, farmer and dairyman of Nahalat Yehuda, was sentenced to IL.750 fine or six months imprisonment by the Anti-Profiteering Court in Tel Aviv on Sunday. He was ordered to deposit IL.700 in bond of good behaviour.

Immunity Law For Knesset Members

A draft law providing immunity for Knesset members was tabled by the House Committee in Jerusalem yesterday. It will come up for a first reading in the plenary shortly.

The bill protects Knesset members from prosecution for slander or libel in connection with utterances made in the course of their duties both inside and outside the House, and also against searches and arrest.

Dead Ex-Soldier Identified

The police yesterday identified as Yitzhak Azulai the man who was shot on Monday by Arab Legionnaires while in an abandoned building in the demilitarized zone in the Musrara quarter of Jerusalem.

The 25-year-old victim came from Morocco and had been discharged from the Army two weeks ago.

Faluja Dead Reburied

RAMAT GAN, Tuesday.—The last 11 bodies of Israel soldiers who fell in the fighting for the "Faluja Pocket" in 1948 were today buried with military honours in the military section of the Nahlat Itzhak cemetery. The bodies had been temporarily interred at Iraq El Manshiya.

Some of the bodies were identified, but five were buried in a common grave.

Ration News

JERUSALEM—Meat: Distribution to ill persons, frozen meat will be distributed at Hasan, Mahne Yehuda; Nehama, Mahne Yehuda; Mataiyahu, Bukharian, Gueter, Kuperman, Musrara and Hatorah, Katamon; fresh meat will be distributed at Pali, Rehov Mordecai Ben Hillel and Remick, Mahane Yehuda. Meat substitute: persons not taking meat, 2, entry Kof 18, Tzuva, Tsome and Bet. Kof 18.

TEL AVIV—Live carp: 180 grams, Shin Gimel 29; visitors, 50; invalids, "milk products" 4; distribution in zone 5. Coffee and tea: 130 grams roasted coffee, or 100 grams raw coffee, and 50 grams tea, Pesh 10; visitors, 25.

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Blind Maxie Was At Camp, Says Witness

In the continued trial of "Blind Maxie," a police sergeant yesterday testified before Magistrate J. Cohen that Joseph Pell, charged with war crimes, denied violently ever having been in Yavojno, or even having heard of it, while under questioning by the police. (It will be recalled that "Blind Maxie" had been identified at previous hearings of the preliminary inquiry by two witnesses, as a "Blockaeltester" at Yavojno and perpetrator of acts of gross brutality).

Both Pell and his accusers appeared so convinced, Salomon stated, that police had decided to confront the accused with his alleged victims; he had then broken down and admitted having been in Yavojno.

"All right, so I was there, but so what?" the sergeant declared Pell to have said in Yiddish.

In the course of the trial, before the testimony of Sergeant Salomon, Pell had already indirectly admitted his presence at Yavojno.

The next witness, Police-Sergeant L. Carmel, submitted police records showing Pell to have denied all charges against him at another police hearing.

The accused, who is appearing without counsel, is being treated with the utmost consideration and care by Magistrate Cohen and Prosecutor Weiner alike, and the illiterate accused has been given careful explanations of all points of procedure.

Charge Murder of 16 In Nazi Work Camp

TEL AVIV, Tuesday (ITIM) —A war-crimes' suspect discovered in the course of another war crimes trial was brought before the Magistrate's Court here today and accused by a witness of having helped to beat 16 prisoners to death at the Greiditz work camp in Poland.

The accused, Yehezkel Ingster, part-owner of the open air cinema at Mishmar Hashiva near here, had allegedly been a fellow "Kapo" (overseer) of Yaacov Honigman, the Beersheba butcher, who was committed for trial several weeks ago.

Today's witness, Meir Ziskovitz, of B'nei Brak, said that none of the prisoners had witnessed the murder of the 16, as they had been confined to their barracks. Members of the burial squad, however, told the witness and others that the victims were unrecognizable after the beatings, he claimed. The accused, Honigman, and another "Kapo," had taken charge of the condemned men when they were brought to the camp, the witness said. There were no Germans there at the time, as they feared the typhus epidemic in the camp.

The hearing was postponed until April 4.

More Black Market Arrests

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The renewed anti-black market campaign conducted by the Economic Section of the Police gathered momentum here yesterday and today with the arrests of merchants, shopkeepers, and a taxi driver, for alleged overcharging and unlawful dealings.

A passenger travelling on one of the principal taxi services between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv reported to police today that he had been charged IL.1,250 instead of IL.0.725 for the trip. The driver was detained. A storekeeper from Rehov Herzl was arrested today on a charge of selling a shirt and underclothing without coupons and charging IL.3,400 for the shirt instead of IL.1,600.

For selling an electric boiler for IL.150 instead of IL.80, two electric appliance merchants from Tel Aviv were arrested today. Another 85 ice boxes, believed to have been made without a permit and allegedly destined for the black market, were confiscated during a police search in Jaffa yesterday. Other arrests included a building materials merchant from Petah Tikva, and a shoe-store owner from Rehov Nahlat Benyamin.

Special rent rebates of up to 25 per cent enjoyed by new immigrants, ex-servicemen and social cases occupying flats administered by the Custodian of Abandoned Property, will continue to be granted after the new rents come into force on April 1.

Year's Extension for Religious Councils Passes 1st Reading

A bill extending the tenure of Jewish Religious Councils until March 31, 1952 passed its first reading in the Knesset yesterday. Mapam and the Communists opposed the motion to send the draft to the Interior Committee for further action.

Religious Councils in some localities have been in office since the Mandatory regime, and others have been appointed since by the Ministry of Religious Affairs. Legislation drafted by the Ministry for Religious Affairs providing for the election of new Councils has been on the agenda for the past 18 months, but no agreement was reached.

In 1949 the Knesset extended the tenure of the Councils until August 8, 1950, after the Minister for Religious Affairs had announced that he would submit legislation for new elections within a matter of weeks. In 1950, the bill was not yet ready and the Knesset extended the tenure of the Councils until March 31, 1951. Yesterday Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen, speaking on behalf of the Minister for Religious Affairs who is ill in hospital, asked for another year's extension.

Mapam members objected, and in the vote they were supported by the Communists. Their spokesmen Eliezer Peri and Dr. Hannan Rubin not only opposed the extension of the outgoing Councils but protested against the principle in the law providing that two-thirds of the budgets should be covered by local authorities and the balance by the Government.

Some of the members who voted to send the bill to Committee advocated that the period of the extension should be reduced.

Rubber Factory Earns Dollars

NAHARIYA, Tuesday.—Work started yesterday in the new building of the new Gumbeli rubber factory manufacturing V-transmission belts, conveyor belts, rubber parts for automatic looms and automobile fan belts. Two thirds of the value of the products is derived from skilled labour, and only one third from imported materials. At present 30 men are employed.

During the past year, while the factory was using a small building, it earned $150,000 in foreign currency. Orders have now been received from Turkey and Persia, but raw materials are not always received in time, a spokesman said. Fan belts and similar products were still being imported from abroad, although they could be locally produced at less than one third worth of foreign currency.

Products for Home Use

A bicycle tube and rubber medical appliances section capable of supplying the needs of the country would be opened if raw materials are made available, the spokesman said.

The Mayor of Nahariya, Mr. G. Tatz, said that two years ago the township had had 1,700 residents. Its population is now 7,000 with prospects of absorbing another 2,000 during 1951.

N.C.O.'s Picked From Ma'barot Youth

SOMEWHERE IN ISRAEL — Tuesday. — In standard uniforms sizes too large for them, boys of 14 and 15 in a Gadna camp for *ma'barot* children were reviewed today in parade by senior Army officers at the ceremony which terminated their four weeks of Gadna training. The graduation included displays of routine camp work, physical training, camping, and study of the Hebrew language, arithmetic, and geography, the story of the war of independence and civics.

The candidates for "Operation Re-routing," as it is called by the Gadna officers, are selected in immigrant camps and *ma'barot*. In the Gadna camp the boys are divided into heterogeneous groups of 15. Initial friction between children of different backgrounds is quickly reduced in the course of communal living and study. Qualified teachers give elementary lessons in general subjects, while Gadna instructors teach camplore and related subjects.

The Army is interested in these courses, as it hopes to choose non-commissioned officer candidates from the ranks of *ma'barot* children who show natural aplitude. The most promising boys are sent to special Gadna courses, where, together with general studies, the young newcomers are given further leadership training.

F.A.O. Expert Studies Israel Farm Needs

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—"Israel is an under-developed country with an over-developed people," Dr. Mordecai Ezekiel, Acting Director of the F.A.O Economic Division, who is on on a week's visit to Israel, told *The Post* today. For this reason it is difficult to compare it with any other country this much-travelled agricultural economist has yet seen.

Dr. Ezekiel arrived here last week-end to study Israel needs in the way of Point Four assistance for agricultural development. He is conferring with members of the Government and also touring the country to get a first-hand picture of the situation. A list of specialized types of help has been presented to the government, which will have to choose the facilities of which it wishes to avail itself, Dr. Ezekiel said. The first projects under the scheme may be under way by autumn.

The veteran American agricultural economist, who began service in the U.S. Department of Agriculture under President Wilson, said he was struck with the high standard of the Mikveh Israel agricultural school and work at some kibbutzim. He was not sure whether Israel was getting the right type of agricultural machinery, and whether the ratio of machinery to land was correct.

Training School in Turkey

Dr. Ezekiel will leave Israel on Thursday for Turkey, where the F.A.O. plans to establish a "Development Training School" similar to that already operating in Pakistan. This will be a regional college, where highly specialized agriculturists will undergo three-month courses in certain fields, including biology, engineering, planning, irrigation, and the preparation of development schemes.

The training college in Turkey will serve the Eastern Mediterranean including Yugoslavia, Albania, Greece, the Arab states, Israel and Persia. Dr. Ezekiel does not see why students from Israel and the Arab states should not attend the same courses, "since they also work together in various U.N. bodies."

The college in Pakistan was a great success, the visitor said. Fifty-five experts from countries as far away as Australia, New Guinea, Japan and the Philippines had taken part. A third training school will shortly be opened at Santiago de Chile.

Bus Mechanics Back At Dan Garages

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Mechanics working at the Dan bus company's garage returned to work this morning, when the management agreed to pay the higher rates now introduced in the metal industry. Their strike lasted 24 hours. There was no noticeable slackening of the bus service during that period.

Several points, including that of strike pay, remain to be settled by direct negotiations between the workers and the management.

Interim Budget Extended

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siphon tens of millions of pounds of surplus capital into the Government treasury. The suggestion that government land should be sold had been made earlier by Mr. Peretz Bernstein (General Zionists), but the new proposal was significant because it came from a member of the cooperative farming movement.

2. Mr. Arieh Ben Eliezer (Herut), asked that such fields of investment as the merchant marine, air transportation, quarrying in the Negev, a railway to Eilat and the general development of Eilat, which he maintained were now restricted to the Government, the Histadrut and the Jewish Agency, should be opened to private enterprise.

3. Dr. Yosef Lamm (Mapai) suggested unified food, clothing and building material controls.

4. Mr. Arieh Bahir (Mapai) suggested that people depositing IL.2,000 with the Government should be guaranteed housing units in a five-year programme to build 50,000 dwellings.

Meanwhile, the Director General of the Health Ministry, Dr. Zyskin, told the Public Services Committee yesterday that essential services would have to be reduced unless the proposed appropriation was enlarged, and Mr. B.S. Luria, of the Education Ministry, conferred with members of the Education Committee on their proposed appropriation. Neither committee took any decision.

A highlight of the debate yesterday was Mr. Eliezer Livneh's (Mapai), rebuttal of the Mapam charges that the Government was selling out to the United States by accepting financial support. He said that without grants and loans here and abroad, in addition to ordinary revenue, the ordinary, security and development budgets could not be balanced, which was essential to check inflation, which was the crucial problem.

BALL OF THE HITAHDUT OLEI CZECHOSLOVAKIA on March 27, at PARK HOTEL, Tel Aviv.
Lacking a box office we request those who have reserved tickets to collect them up to Sunday, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, at the Secretariat, 15 Rehov Ahad Haam, TEL AVIV.

Slow Progress In Election Bill

The parliamentary Legislation Committee which is drafting the election law voted yesterday to empower the Minister of Interior to implement the elections, but retained control of the election budget for the chairman of the proposed Central Election Committee.

The budget, according to the proposals, will be adopted by the Finance Committee of the Knesset. Other decisions taken at yesterday's meeting provide that polling places shall not be opened in synagogues or party offices, and that the Central Election Committee may suspend Emergency Regulations empowering police to disperse public assemblies.

Work began yesterday on election rules for army camps. When the Committee adjourned until Monday morning, it still had to discuss the polling arrangements in military zones, *ma'barot* and immigrant camps.

Meanwhile, the compilation of the electoral register is progressing. Dr. N. Nir, Chairman of the Legislation Committee, reiterated yesterday that the delay in bringing the draft bill for a first reading will not necessarily involve delay in the elections.

IL.14m. Needed For Settlements—Eshkol

Between IL.13m. and IL.14m. will be needed during the coming year to bring about the economic independence of agricultural settlements founded since the creation of the State, Mr. Levi Eshkol, head of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, told the Agency's Executive at a meeting which took place in Jerusalem yesterday. Water works will consume an additional IL.3m., and the establishment of new settlements IL.5m. More than 20,000 families have settled in agricultural villages since May 1948, 12,000 of them in 139 moshavim, which include settlements on the sites of abandoned Arab villages, and 5,000 to 6,000 in kibbutzim and kvutzot, he said.

Mr. Berl Locker, who was in the chair, reported on his meeting with representatives of immigrants from Iraq, and informed the Executive that the Coordination Committee would discuss urgent measures to be taken to alleviate the condition of the Jews of Iraq, and to speed up their immigration.

A programme for the immediate construction of 20,000 huts for immigrants at a cost of IL.7.5m. was presented by Mr. Eshkol, who serves as the Agency's Treasurer.

Mr. Eliahu Dobkin, Chairman of the Agency's Organization Department, described a projected exhibition on the activities of the Zionist Organization, including the National Funds.

Gold Dealers Insulted Bourse Shut for Day

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The unofficial gold bourse here closed down today in protest against an article which appeared in the evening paper "Ma'ariv" yesterday. Members of the board of the "Fine Metal Dealers Association," popularly known as "the Gold Bourse," took exception to the article, which referred to them in uncomplimentary terms.

The gold market was quiet, and there were few buyers at IL.23 for a sovereign.

In order to discourage rush buying the Board decided that in future the "Bourse" will meet for only three hours daily, from 9 a.m. to noon, and that all transactions would be made in cash.

USSR REPORTED MOVING ARMS INTO BULGARIA

NISH, SOUTHERN SERBIA, Tuesday, (Reuter). — A young Bulgarian refugee told foreign correspondents here today that the Russians were running arms across the Danube into Bulgaria by night.

(Marshal Tito recently accused Russia of rearming Bulgaria in violation of the peace treaty).

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Britain Seeks Scarce Sulphur

LONDON, Tuesday (AP). — Britain has decided to call for American help to meet an approaching sulphur famine which could dislocate industry and spread unemployment.

A Board of Trade spokesman reported today that the Board's President, Harold Wilson, is planning a flying visit to Washington in the next fortnight to discuss general economic subjects—including, he said, the growing shortage of vital raw materials here.

The Board of Trade is ready to lay down a nationwide sulphur rationing plan if attempts to get more supplies from the U.S. fail. America, which provides more than 90 per cent of the world's sulphur supplies, has cut exports to Britain by one-third because of the stockpiling and the rearmament programme.

Anglo-Iraqi Talks, Premier Goes to U.K.

Iraqi Prime Minister Nuri Pasha es-Said has left Baghdad for London, where he will discuss the ratification of the Ango-Iraqi talks with the British Foreign Minister, according to NEABS. London reports say he is coming to England for health reasons.

This morning, the Director General of the Iraqi Ministry of Economy, Dr. Nadim Bey el Pachachi, arrived in London to resume the Iraqi oil talks with the Iraq Petroleum Company. The talks broke off last year when Iraq demanded that royalties be paid according to the free market gold price, which would yield Iraq some 20 per cent more than if payment were made on the basis of the controlled price of gold. The Company flatly rejected this demand.

Official sources in London stated today that there is so far no indication that Iraq intends to nationalize her oil industries. They admit, however, that a good deal depends on the outcome of the situation in Iran.

The Iraqi Regent, Emir Abdul Illah, meanwhile left Amman by air today for Baghdad, after spending two days in consultation with the Jordan Government and King Abdullah.

Russian Police in Albania Reported

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter) —Russia has nearly doubled her mission to Albania with the object of tightening her control over the Albanian government, the "Daily Telegraph" reported from Vienna today.

The paper said the Russian mission, "originally numbering about 3,000 men has been increased by more than 2,000 reinforcements who travelled by sea from Rumania.

"Before this increase the mission consisted principally of Russian advisers to the Albanian army, engineers and industrial experts who supervise production of Albanian chrome ore and other minerals. The reinforcements are mainly security police, and complete units are said to have been landed for the first time."

Current Cut In Tel Aviv

TEL AVIV, Tuesday.—Owing of the breakdown of a main generator of the Palestine Electric Corporation, and the fact that the public is slow in accepting the new power restrictions, current is now being switched off for short periods in various parts of this city at peak hours.

After this week, the situation is likely to improve, one of the senior engineers of the Electric Corporation told *The Post* tonight. But until the generator is repaired and people have learned to use current sparingly and not at all at the specified hours, further cuts may become necessary.

This evening, one section of the city after the other was thrown into darkness several times for short periods.

Electric current failed in various parts of Haifa tonight. The Hadar Hacarmel area was in the dark for 15 minutes.

Malta Leak From U.K. Angers French

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter).— Surprise and even anger in official French diplomatic quarters has followed London's revelation that the French government protested to Britain at being left out of the recent Anglo-American Middle East defence conferences in Malta.

French Foreign Office officials had made every effort to keep this difference of opinion between the two entente cordiale partners to strictly diplomatic channels. They were anxious to avoid public controversy at a time when they considered Western unity all important.

Last week a spokesman said that France was being kept informed of the Malta Conference proceedings. But there are responsible people in Paris who doubt whether the French government has in fact been kept fully informed.

"Why did the Foreign Office want to make public a dispute which breaks the entente cordiale tradition?" asked the diplomatic commentator, Pertinax, well known in pre-war days for his trenchant contributions to the rightwing "Echo de Paris."

"There is no doubt that the furious campaign conducted against us in the Arab states over Morocco was stimulated by the affront to us in January (when France asked but was refused participation in the first Malta Conference)."

Egypt Land Tax Rise Retroactive to 1949

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Egyptian Chamber of Deputies tonight approved a bill to double the land tax retroactive to January 1949. The bill, which is expected to yield an extra £E7m. a year was passed by 192 votes.

Students and workers demonstrated outside Parliament, demanding a quick passage of the bill to speed up social reforms, for which the increased revenue will be used.

The Wafdist government was defeated twice recently on its proposal to make the measure retroactive.

The new tax will chiefly affect the powerful Pasha landlords, owners of the great estates which form most of Egypt's agricultural land. Discontent of peasants living under semi-feudal conditions has been growing for some time and the Wafdist government of Mustafa Nahas Pasha has recognized that agrarian reform is overdue.

He has drawn up schemes for selling state-owned land by easy instalments to landless peasants and for breaking up big estates into medium-sized holdings.

King Farouk, reputed to be the largest single landowner in the country, gave a lead to these reforms when he distributed 3,000 acres of land among 600 peasants on his 31st birthday last year.

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Cables in Brief

RECORD. — A British Overseas Airways Stratocruiser has broken the east to west transatlantic commercial record by flying from London to New York in 11 hours 36 minutes.

TRIESTE. — General Sir Thomas Winterton, former British High Commissioner in Austria, has succeeded General Sir Terence Airey as Commander of the Anglo-American Zone in Trieste. General Airey left to become Chief of Staff for Intelligence on General Eisenhower's staff.

AMBASSADORS. — Mr. George Merrel, U.S. Ambassador to Ethiopia has been appointed Ambassador to Afghanistan. He will be replaced in Ethiopia by Mr. Rivers Child, former Ambassador to Saudi-Arabia.

Indonesian Prime Minister Resigns

JAKARTA, Tuesday, (Reuter). — The Indonesian Prime Minister, Mohammed Nasir, resigned tonight. President Soekarno accepted the resignation but asked him to carry on meanwhile as caretaker premier.

A dispute between the Moslem Masjumi (government) party and Parliament on the dissolution of regional councils started the crisis. Parliament, at a previous session, decided to dissolve the councils but the government refused to accept the resolution.

The government was formed on September 16 last, after the formation of a unitary Indonesian state which meant abolition of the former 16 federal states and the transfer of power to one central government.

No party commands an absolute majority in Parliament and one source suggested the Masjumi and nationalist parties might be asked to form a coalition. Their efforts to do so last September failed.

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THE appointment last week of a Cabinet Sub-Committee to advise on the extent of Government participation in the International Exhibition to be held in Jerusalem next spring brings us a step nearer to an event which is intended materially to assist in the economic development of the capital. "The Conquest of the Desert" is a process to which the Jewish people in Israel have contributed a great deal in the last 80 years. Achievements here may certainly take their place side by side with exhibits showing the conquest of the arid zones of the United States, French North Africa, the British Colonial Empire, Southern Russia and many other countries as well.

DESERTS ON SHOW

It is intended to establish an Exhibition Company in Israel, of which the shares should be held in part by the government and in part by various Zionist institutions. The various Ministries and Zionist institutions will then be invited by the company to prepare exhibits showing what has been achieved in this country in the five different sectors covered by the Exhibition — Agriculture, Water, Building, Transport and Research. Much preliminary work has been done behind the scenes during the past year to interest foreign governments, and foreign exporters who have special interests in the Israel market, in the Exhibition. An Exhibition office was set up in London six months ago: another is being established in Paris under the auspices of the Franco-Israel Chamber of Commerce, and plans are now being made to open an office in New York. They are primarily concerned with publicity in foreign trade journals with a view to leasing space in the Exhibition to foreign firms. The invitation to foreign governments to participate will, however, be a matter for the Foreign Ministry, following the new Cabinet Committee's recommendation. The Exhibition has already received provisional recognition from the International Bureau of Exhibitions in Paris.

Meanwhile, the great Congress Hall which will house the Exhibition is already rising on the outskirts of Jerusalem. The materials still needed to complete the building have now been allocated by the government, as well as the foreign exchange required for the purchase of the necessary equipment abroad, for the project has been classed as a prospective dollar-earner. The outer shell of the building with a seating capacity of several thousand will be ready in time to house this summer's Zionist Congress. Jerusalem has a great interest in the completion of the building with its two halls, even the smaller of which will hold 700 people, for it will provide the capital with two concert halls worthy of the name. This will be the home of the International Music Festival already being planned for the year after next.

NO one who has ever held aces "back to back" and then by skilful manoeuvring in betting them has induced four incredulous gentlemen to pay high premiums for the agonized pleasure of being convinced that the hole card really was an ace and not a paltry king will challenge the Tel Aviv District Court's recent decision that stud may, after all, be a game of skill. Where poker makes its permanent home, in the U.S., fans profess to see a resemblance in the processes of poker to the career of one of its most ardent and skilful exponents: Harry S. Truman; that is, not without a certain initial element of luck, but not unmixed with a high degree of proficiency in manipulating opportunities, making the most of one's hand and chances, and psychological insight.

IMMORAL GAINS

Which of the gentlemen involved in the case reported in the press can honestly say that his career has been wholly without luck? — and which would reject next month's first prize of IL.25,000 in the Popular Loan draw (if he were skilful enough to win it) on the grounds that it was morally distasteful to play this "most base of poker"? — and cried, "Get thee behind me, Satan!"

ELATH CELEBRATES ITS SECOND BIRTHDAY

The raising of the flag at a special military ceremony on Tuesday marked the second anniversary of the occupation of Elath. A bulldozer and a crane, symbols of Elath, flank the parade-ground. Across the bay, in the background, can be seen the roofs of Akaba. Photo by Hirshbein

Atlantic Command Approved

POST Military Correspondent

THE senior appointments under General Eisenhower were announced yesterday, and as has been expected, Field-Marshal Montgomery will be the Deputy Supreme Commander, and Air Chief Marshal Sir Hugh Saunders will be the Deputy Supreme Commander (Air).

Under them in the Central area of General Eisenhower's command (i.e., France, Germany and the Low Countries), General Juin, of France, will have command of land forces, and Lt.-General Lauris Norstad, of the United States Air Forces, will have command of the air striking force.

The French government has insisted that the land forces must be commanded by a French and not a British officer, and General Juin himself originally insisted on command of the air striking force as well. The arrangement of command is, therefore, the product of concessions by the British, French and American governments.

But these appointments have been easier to decide on than the Northern and Southern commands. It has been agreed, in principle, to appoint a British admiral as commander-in-chief of the Northern area (Scandinavia and the North Sea). But the British government would prefer him to be, not the direct commander of air, land and sea forces in that area, but the head of a trinity of commanders-in-chief for each service.

Eisenhower's View

The organization of the Mediterranean is far the hardest to settle, because it involves not only the question of who shall command, but also how large the command shall be.

The Americans would like to see a unified command of the whole Mediterranean, with Greece and Turkey in the N.A.T.O. Some of the smaller N.A.T.O. countries, especially the Scandinavian ones, are opposed to this.

General Eisenhower's view is that he must have control over his southern flank—that is the land forces and carrier-borne aircraft in the Western Mediterranean. The British view is that supreme command of all arms in the Mediterranean should be exercised by a British admiral, since Britain has long experience of this area, and controls the important naval bases, Malta and Gibraltar.

A possible compromise would be the appointment of a British admiral as Supreme Allied Commander in the Mediterranean, with an Eastern and Western Mediterranean commander under him. There would be some form of direct liaison between him and General Eisenhower's southern-flank forces. But the argument is not resolved, and it is unlikely that the final appointments will be announced before Easter.—*Copyright.*

PUNJABIS BEHIND RECENT ARMY PLOT

Rival Sects Threaten Pakistan Unity

By Rawle Knox

NEW DELHI.—BEHIND the continuing arrests of army officers in Pakistan lies the story of rivalries that have been growing ever since the creation of the state three years ago. The Punjabis, who, under British rule, provided the backbone of the army and of the government administration, today find their past subservience to foreigners counts against them, and the top posts go to men from the United Provinces, the intellectual home of nationalist politicians, both Hindu and Moslem. The Punjabis regard as "foreigners" these migrants from Lucknow and from the famous Moslem University of Aligarh, for the United Provinces are now the Indian state of Uttar Pradesh. Liaquat Ali Khan (Pakistan Premier) himself is from the United Provinces.

There is also among the Punjabis and Pathans of the Northwest Frontier Province, a complete lack of sympathy for the Moslems of East Bengal, of whom the most eminent is Pakistan's Governor-General Khwaja Nazimuddin.

Editor Arrested

Although Faiz Ahmed, the arrested editor of the "Pakistan Times," is both a Punjabi and Communist sympathizer and in neither character has any love for Liaquat Ali Khan, it seems that the heart of the present "plot" was in the Northwest Frontier Province.

Curiously in a country where few women have so far emerged from purdah, the personal jealousies involved in the present trouble revolve round Pakistan's leading women. The Begum Liaquat (wife of Pakistan's Premier), who always gets a due share of her husband's publicity from Pakistan's propagandists, comes from an ex-Christian family and some of the country's more blue-blooded Moslem women find it hard to accept her as the first lady of the land.

Especially is this so in the case of Miss Jinnah, sister of the late founder of Pakistan, the Quid-i-Azam. Miss Jinnah is far too loyal a Pakistani to express any resentment but her difficulty in stepping out of the limelight which she shared when her brother was alive, sometimes leads her to lend her name to causes that give the government some embarrassment. It is very significant that the Begum Shah Nawaz, the leading lady firebrand of Pakistan, has just invoked Miss Jinnah's name. When her daughter, the wife of Akbar Khan, was arrested with the Chief of Staff, the Begum Shah Nawaz withdrew her name from the list of election candidates in the Punjab as a protest. Now she has agreed to stand "in deference to the wishes of Miss Jinnah and the other women members of the Moslem League." It is Miss Jinnah's misfortune, which she seems unable to overcome, that the dissatisfied elements in Pakistan cling to her for protection.

All these rivalries are overshadowed by the feeling that it is impossible to unseat the Moslem League by constitutional means. The Moslem League is far and away the most popular and best-organized party in the country. But when opponents hear Liaquat Ali Khan, who is both Premier and President of the League, identifying his party with the country, they retort in their discouragement that he is aiming at a dictatorship.

Hard Decision

Because that charge is heard in Pakistan so often today, the arrest of the plotters must have been an extremely hard decision for Liaquat to take on the eve of the Punjab provincial elections. He has not, of course, escaped the accusation that this is an election manoeuvre, because the link between Faiz, the bitter left-wing critic of the government, and Akbar Khan is obviously not strong.

But General Ayyub Khan, Pakistan's Commander-in-Chief who, incidentally, is also a Pathan, has said in an order of the day that he has documentary proof that Major-General Akbar Khan and Brigadier Latif, the Army commander at Quetta, have conspired with Communists to undermine the country's stability.

The plot existed and Liaquat stamped it out. In so doing he has strengthened his position by gaining the gratitude of the vast majority of his countrymen, who are no fonder of conspiracy than any other common men. But whether he has eased the friction that exists among the higher officials and politicians of provincially-minded Pakistan is quite another story.

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Kibbutz Unearths Relic Of Ancient Caesarea

A visiting kibbutznik offers a comparison of the size of the god (or goddess).

By Robert Gary

A MIGHTY, twentieth century bulldozer clearing a rocky field at Kibbutz Sdot Yam recently unearthed a relic of ancient Caesarea that may prove to be one of the most interesting archaeological discoveries in Israel.

It is a large statue of a seated figure wrapped in a toga and wearing sandals. Measuring almost three metres in height and two-and-a-half metres in width the statue is of red porphyry stone, which is a very beautiful and hard rock quarried in ancient Egypt.

Since the head and forearm are missing it is difficult to identify the sex of the figure although it is believed to be that of a goddess. Local experts stated that it probably was erected by Herod the Great, who reigned in Judea from 40 B.C.E. to 4 B.C.E., in honour of his Roman masters.

The Department of Antiquities in Jerusalem refused to commit itself, although it reported the discovery as "unprecedented." In a guarded statement it was noted that the figure was found in a field that was known to be located between the old hippodrome and the city wall of Crusader times. The Department said it was studying the figure and would examine the area in which it was found with the possibility that the head and forearm might be located.

Other archaeological experts expressed the opinion that the missing portions might have been made of gold and were removed during the Byzantine period when many Roman works were destroyed. They pointed to the remains of a wall that still surrounds most of the throned figure and to plaster-like marks and smears that streak the statue. It is possible that the statue is located on the site of a temple.

Members of Sdot Yam are delighted with their discovery but are now worried that it might be removed from the area. They are of the firm opinion that it should remain in its present natural setting, or in Bet Hannah Senesh where other archaeological relics of ancient Caesarea are housed.

Readers' Letters

DETERGENTS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—In his recent statement to the press the Minister of Agriculture referred to the erection of a new plant for the production of cleaning agents. Hope was expressed that these would replace laundry soap and alleviate Israel's soap shortage.

We take it for granted that the reference was to synthetic detergents. To the pioneers in this particular field of industrial chemistry it is certainly gratifying to see that the authorities have at long last come to acknowledge the extreme importance of these products to this country's economy.

I would however like to point out that manufacture of synthetic detergents was started in this country about 15 years ago, long before their present phenomenal popularity. Their quality and price level were from the outset such as to permit large-scale export. The factory that introduced and first manufactured detergents in this part of the world, is today earning very considerable sums of foreign currency for Israel's economy.

The present scarcity of detergents on the market is due to a serious shortage of raw materials, not to any lack of productive capacity of existing plants which are easily covering Israel's consumption. No "bottleneck" would have occurred, had the authorities shown somewhat more provision and understanding in granting the necessary import licences in time. This would not have necessitated any expenditure of foreign currency as earnings out of exports of the above-mentioned firm alone cover to a large extent, local needs.

Yours, etc.,

R. CHAZAN, Eng., A.I.G.

Tel Aviv, March 14.

A VOICE OF PROTEST

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The atrocious and illegal action taken by the Iraqi government in freezing the capital and property of the 100,000 Iraqi Jews is a violation of minority rights which must be rectified by the United Nations.

Israel Arabs were grieved by this news and it is imperative for them to voice their objections through their leaders. What the Iraqi government has done is practical proof of their lack of consideration for Israel Arab interests and the interests of Arab minorities all over the world.

There is nothing in the teachings of the first Arab, the Prophet Mohammed, and in the exemplary rules set by the Khalifs which justifies this anti-Jewish law.

DAVID KHOURY

Acre, March 17.

SATURDAY NIGHT BUSES

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,—The discomfort and the annoyance caused by Hamkasher's bus service in Jerusalem on a Saturday evening should be taken up by the Municipal Council in its discussion of the report on public transportation that has been hanging fire for so long.

To be more specific: On Saturday evenings in Jerusalem Hamkasher extends its route number 5 to cover part of the territory covered on weekdays by route number 15. The latter is discontinued altogether.

Last night (Saturday) a queue waited from 6.50 to 7.15 p.m. at the first stop in Kiryat Shmuel for a bus. The queues were so long that by the time the bus reached the third stop it could no longer take on more passengers. The second bus came along 15 minutes later, so that at points farther along the route persons waited from 6.50 until 7.30.

Yours, etc.,

L.A.M.

Jerusalem, March 18.

Points from Letters

RED PAINT. — The whole length of the low front wall of the United States Library, adjoining Bialik's house and within a short distance from the Tel Aviv Municipality, has been defaced by two inscriptions in red paint. It is to be hoped that the authorities see to it that these inscriptions be removed without delay.

E.M.

GIVING IN TO TERROR. — As the first "burned car sufferer" I would like to know why it is impossible to find and punish the culprits; or is this the beginning of the new law to prohibit driving on the Sabbath?

A.E. Epstein

Jerusalem, March 15.

WHEN DO WE EAT. — In connection with the restriction orders of the Palestine Electric Corporation we would like to know at what hours the company expects working people to prepare their food, as ordinar, office hours are from 8-1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.

M.M. Lasri

Tel Aviv, March 15.

MUSICAL DIARY

MAURICE Gendron's Jerusalem debut recital at the Y.M.C.A. on Saturday opened with his own transcription of "La Folia" (an old Portuguese dance) by his compatriot, Marin Marais. The young cellist gave an imaginative reading and phrasing of Beethoven's A Major sonata, op. 69. His electrifying rhythmical musicianship was evident in Chopin's Introduction and Polonaise brilliante. Tchaikovsky's intricate variations on a Rococo theme (originally written as a concerto-rondo for cello and orchestra) were charming and graceful with a finely-interpreted cadenza. Mr. Gendron showed deep feeling in his interpretation of Bloch's "Prayer."

The audience was fascinated by the South American rhythm of "Street Scene" by De Falla's pupil, Halffter. Milhaud's "Sumare" was followed by half a dozen encores. Y. Bernstein deserves special praise as piano-accompanist, with the same lightness of touch as the cellist, making for an exceptional partnership.

Zadek in "Consul"

The Jerusalem singer, Hilde Zadek, had a great success in the Vienna State Opera's premiere of Menotti's "The Consul." According to the official "Wiener Zeitung": "Hilde Zadek gives the most impressive performance of all the participants... In the part of Marthe Sorel, she creates a woman desperately struggling for the life of her husband. Every expression of feeling comes from the heart... The great scene of the second act evoked stormy applause and there were tears in many eyes. The composer and Hilde Zadek were called before the curtain again and again." Miss Zadek is now mentioned for the same role in an Hebrew version of "The Consul" which may be produced next Fall.

FRANCO

Hilde Zadek

Haifa Recital

Last Saturday, Mrs. Chawiwa Winterfeldt, violinist, gave a concert at Beitenu Hall, ably accompanied by Mrs. Sara Rabinowitz, a pianist well qualified to appear as a solo artist. Mrs. Winterfeldt's performance was vivid and impressive. Her light silvery tone suited Mozart's Sonata in B flat major, whereas in Brahms' Sonata in D Minor one heard sonority and broadness of sound. Honegger's Second Sonata needed stronger contrasts, especially in the second movement.

Abileah Anniversary

On the occasion of the 70th birthday of Mr. Ephraim Abileah, a festival concert took place on Thursday night at Haifa's Beitenu Hall.

Mr. Ephraim Abileah came to Israel from Vienna in 1923 as one of the pioneer musicians. The son of a hazan, he studied at the Warsaw Conservatoire of Music, was a band leader in the Russian army, and later went to Vienna (1904) where he conducted choirs and wrote synagogue music. Mr. Abileah founded the first choir in Haifa.

At the festival concert, the Beethoven String Quartet, op. 59, No. 3 (Rasumowsky) was played with delicacy and craftsmanship by Messrs. Markus, Melamed, Abileah junior and Nikolajewsky. This was followed by compositions by Mr. Abileah himself. Nathan Goldring accompanied by Sara Riesel sung a "Kabalat Shabbat" while Mr. Abileah junior played the violin part. Three songs in folklore style were sung by Hedwa Oren-Buksecu with Aviva Agradi at the piano. A "Pessach Hagadah" was presented on records.

G.W.B.

After the Tour

On various occasions during the past months it has become evident that much of our concert-going public is mainly interested in star performers. Many good local and foreign artists have played to empty or almost empty halls. The reason for this state of affairs is that our ever-changing audiences become wrongly educated by our most attractive and valuable mass educator in the field of music: the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra.

The orchestra inaugurated the star-system on our concert platforms through the engagement of the most famous conductors. Of course, these celebrities offered an invaluable stimulus to the public as well as to the orchestra, and the now concluded American tour would probably not have been possible without the work of stars like Koussevitzky and Bernstein. On the other hand, musicians a little less famous are regarded here with snobbish disregard. Moreover, not only the "second-choice" stars among our guest artists suffer, but the orchestra itself will become unsteady and unbalanced by a permanent change of conductors of different styles and merits.

The successful American tour and the recognition of the splendid work which artists like Koussevitzky and Bernstein have done for the cause of Israel and its musical reputation, gives one an opportunity to make a proposal which will improve the musical life of this country: namely that the orchestra acquire the services of a permanent conductor. A "second-choice" conductor could definitely do more for the stabilization of musical life and for the education of the public, than the occasional appearances of stars. There are conductors of a wide reputation who would like to work in Israel but who have never been invited because of the orchestra's star-system and the American connections implied.

As far as financial questions are concerned, this writer believes that not one of the seven thousand Tel Aviv subscribers would relinquish his subscription if—say—nine of the twelve subscription concerts in each season were conducted by the permanent conductor of the orchestra, and only three by prominent guests, with the "glamour" to be provided mainly by the soloists.

Mo.

HAIFA ART NOTES

Landscapes in Three Mediums

WHEN Mrs. Friedlander first exhibited in Haifa nearly four years ago, she was recognized as a serious stylist. Her latest show at the Artists' Association Pavilion, Carmelia Court, shows that her work has not, as might have been feared, deteriorated into the mere formalized design which hides the artist's personality.

Her present exhibition reveals progress. There is still the emphasis on pattern, but the artist now has more to say. The open book in picture No. 28, and the fan in picture No. 22 almost lose their concrete existence to become mere visual elements in the colour harmony, but Mrs. Friedlander does not sacrifice the natural colours in "Flowers" (No. 40) for any general effect of dark blues and greens. Another show will be necessary before one can form a decided opinion on her landscapes.

In the present exhibition, one perceives an expression of movement which enlivens her design. We see it in the white mountain peak in "Landscape Composition" (No. 30) or in the obvious angle of the head in "Meditation" (No. 32). The expression of movement is at its best in "Rhythm"(No. 21), a head and torso.

Y. Naphtali — Watercolours

Mr. Y. Naphtali's watercolours at Goldman & Neufeld's, Hadar Hacarmel, have evidently been painted with pleasure, but he frequently fails to control the details of his composition. For instance, in "Station at Ramatayim" (No. 1) the central cart, horse and shed, and in "Hermon from Ein Gev" the house, only serve to complicate the picture. This is a pity, since Mr. Naphtali obtains a happy effect with colours ("Marigolds" No. 10). In "Jietlik Hills" (No 12) the gradation of shades and colours from the sky through the hills to the fields in the foreground is pleasing. "On the Sands of Bat Yam" (No. 3) is pleasantly realistic.

H.

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